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Proposed Training Additional ICHMERS
Candidates

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1. As we have indicated in Para 6 of MEK-A-4632 the candidate () has been officially cleared to take radio training. Candidate () has received conditional approval and according to () final approval will be rendered shortly. We understand from reading the personalia that both have had previous radio experience. () agreed that it would be unnecessary to give a radio aptitude test to either. Vienna Case Officers are attempting to recruit and vet a third candidate for training so as to make the training officer's trip "pay off". At the present time it is not known how successful this will be. A woman agent now residing in Salzburg has been recommended for this assignment. Her personalia is being prepared and is being forwarded to Washington for approval. We understand that she has no radio background and therefore recommend that she be given a radio aptitude test before finally approved for training. () has indicated to us that he will have her personalia completed within a month's time and after local checks have been made we deem it advisable to submit her to the aptitude test thereby eliminating such difficulties as encountered in the training of (), for example. If she proves unsatisfactory and no other candidates can be located by the Vienna station we will undertake the training of the above two mentioned.

2. () has indicated he is willing to postpone the ICHMERS training to accommodate any priority demands made upon the training officer. We believe, however, that Vienna's training needs should not be prolonged unnecessarily and that every attempt

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should be [redacted] to initiate training before the end of April even if the [redacted] officer is given the MCB project as priority.

We have discussed with [redacted], [redacted] and [redacted] the requirements for adequate training location. For security reasons we have [redacted] the choice of a single private dwelling and further housekeeping problems would be beyond that with which Vienna could adequately cope. [redacted] pointed out that a small apartment could be readily requisitioned in a U. S. requisitioned apartment house. Inasmuch as the students reside in Vienna proper they would merely report for training per their individual schedules. The training officer [redacted] will reside in this apartment to prevent it from being entered by unauthorized persons. The services of Military Police would be available for limited housekeeping requirements. However, the other [redacted] Officers will be on the lookout for other suitable quarters. In any case LIMBER will be advised in advance as to what has been made available and what voltages are employed in said building. We understand that the main current varies with each Bezirk. In the event any of the students who will have to be trained come from out of town adequate billeting arrangements will be made at Austrian hotels for them.

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